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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
KOHICHI KATOH, ET AL. : EXAMINER: DOTE, J. L.
SERIAL NO: 10/609,399 :
FILED: JULY 1, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1756
FOR: TONER COMPOSITION, TWO :
COMPONENT DEVELOPER USING THE
TONER COMPOSITION, AND METHOD
AND APPARATUS FOR DEVELOPING
ELECTROSTATIC LATENT IMAGE
USING THE TONER COMPOSITION

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 15, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the outstanding Office Action dated September 15, 2005, the Examiner required that the Applicants provide copies of the references listed in the Information Disclosure Statements filed October 1, 2003 and September 23, 2004. Applicants respectfully traverse this requirement.

First, it is respectfully submitted that copies of the cited references were filed with the October 1, 2003 Information Disclosure Statement. Nonetheless, Applicants have provided herewith additional copies of the references for consideration by the Examiner.

With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement of September 23, 2004, the requirement to provide copies of the cited pending applications is respectfully traversed. As set forth in the Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement, Mr. Godici, Commissioner for Patents, no longer required copies of cited pending applications to be submitted. This requirement was waived as of August 4, 2004 by Mr. Godici. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement on September 23, 2004 complied with the United States Patent and Trademark requirements and consideration of the cited references is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto please also find a newly cited related case.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that Applicants have complied with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98. It is therefore respectfully requested that the references cited on October 1, 2003 and September 23, 2004 be considered by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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